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RISE AND SHINE!
UP AN' AT 'EM!
WAKEY! WAKEY! WAKEY!

COME ON!
WHAT'S TAKING SO LONG?
ZIP
SLACKERS.

WHAT'S THE HUBBUB, BUB?
SOMETHING'S COMING THIS WAY.
SOMETHING BIG.

SOMETHING BAD.
AND WHO ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO BE?

CAN'T YOU TELL? HE'S THAT BLUE HEDGE-HOG-- THE ONE WHO'S ALWAYS STICKIN' IT TO DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!
ISN'T ROBOTNIK DEAD?
DIFFERENT ROBOTNIK. I'LL EXPLAIN LATER.
AW, FOR CRYIN' OUT--
--LOUD!
RRRMMMMMBBBLLLL
OKAY, FOLKS, LAST CHANCE TO RUN FOR YOUR LIVES BEFORE IT GETS HERE!
"IT?"
WHAT'S "IT?"
IT'S CATER-KILLER!

"CATER-KILLER'S COMING!" PART 2

WHOA! CATER-KILLER'S GOING OVER A HUNDRED *MILES* AN HOUR...

...AND TAKING OUT *EVERYTHING* IN ITS PATH!

THOOM THOOM THOOM

I'VE GOTTA STOP THAT THING...

...BEFORE IT DESTROYS ANOTHER TOWN!

HOPE YOU'RE ENJOYING MY LATEST VERSION OF CATER-KILLER, RODENT!
QUITE AN IMPROVEMENT ON THE OLD ONE, EH?
ROBOTNIK!

YOU'D BETTER MOVE FAST BECAUSE KNOTHOLE VILLAGE* IS THE NEXT STOP ON C-K'S WORLD TOUR!
*NOW THAT ROBOTNIK'S HUMAN AGAIN HE REMEMBERS THE LOCATION OF KNOTHOLE-JG
NO!
KNOTHOLE'S MY HOME! MY FAMILY... MY FRIENDS... EVERYONE I CARE ABOUT IS THERE!
NOT EVERYONE, SONIC!
TAILS! YOU MADE IT!
LET'S JUICE! THERE ISN'T MUCH TIME!

"CATER-KILLER'S COMING!" PART 3

WERE YOU ABLE TO *FIGURE* ANYTHING OUT SINCE *LAST* TIME WE SPOKE?

ITS INDESTRUCTIBLE HARDWARE IS RUN BY SIMPLE COMPUTER SOFTWARE! IF I CAN GET INSIDE...
...I CAN HACK IT
THEN THERE'S NO CHOICE!
IT'S A DANGEROUS MOVE, BUT IF I VIBRATE FAST ENOUGH TO SLIP OUR MOLECULES THROUGH CATER-KILLERS...
...THEN WE'RE IN!*
* Please don't try at home
SONIC!
UGH!

I'M WAY PAST BURNT AFTER THAT STUNT DUDE NOW IT'S UP TO YOU TO END THIS

DON'T WORRY SON C...

THERE IT IS-- CATER-K...LER'S "BRAIN!"

--I WON'T LET YOU DOWN!

HOPE I CAN MAKE THE CHANGE IT'S "WORTH" ABOUT WHERE IT'S GOING!

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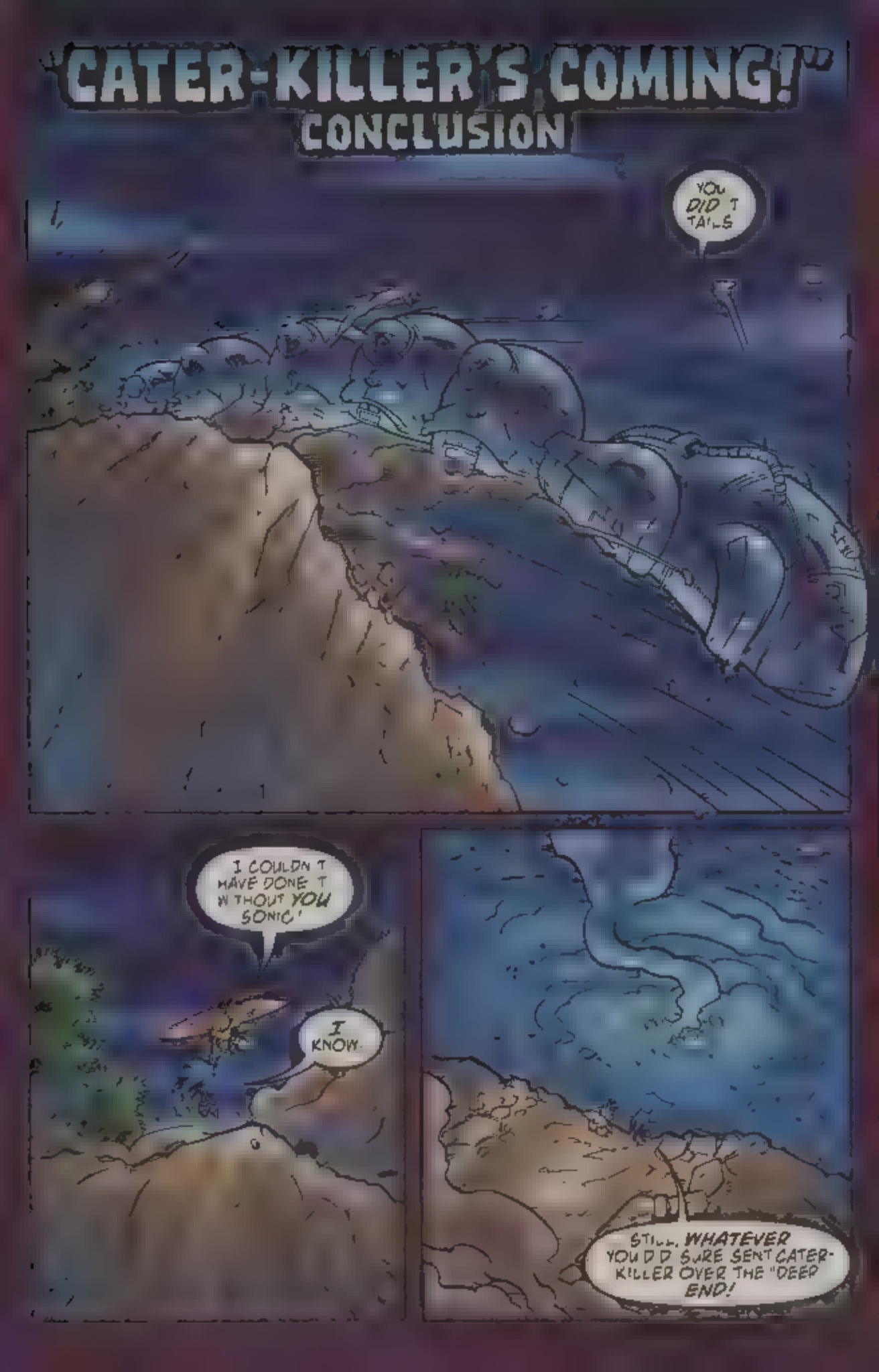
"CATER-KILLER'S COMING!" CONCLUSION



THE DEEP END?

I DON'T GET IT, SONIC...

Y KNOW THE DEEP END?

LIKE HOW YOU REWIRED ITS BRAIN' SORTA MAKING IT GO CRAZY AND EVERYTHING?

AND HOW YOU MADE IT PLUNGE OFF A CLIFF INTO THE OCEAN INSTEAD OF KNOTHOLE?

HM

I STILL DON'T--

AWWW. FORGET IT.

The End

FOOM

YEARRRGHH!

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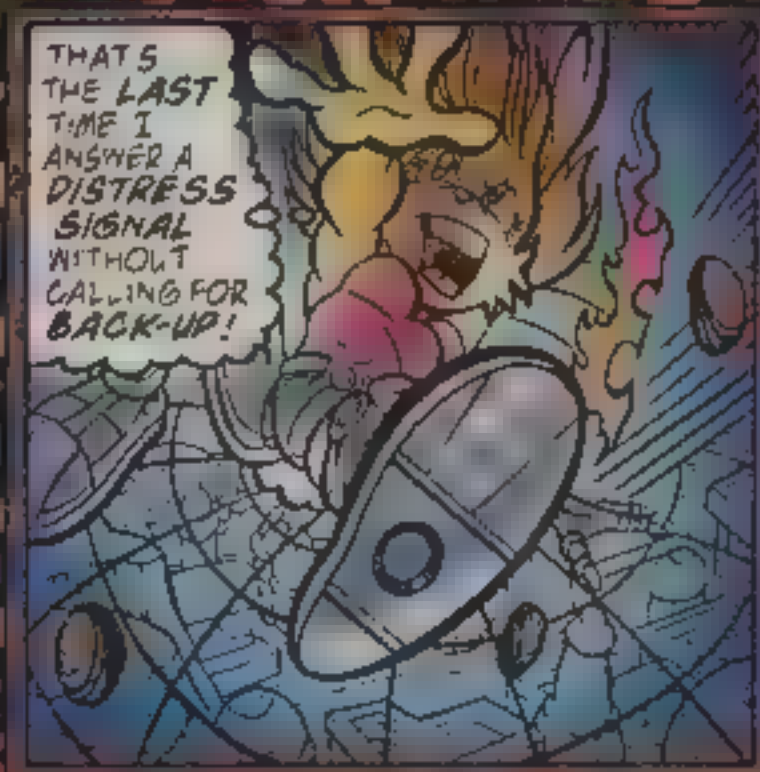
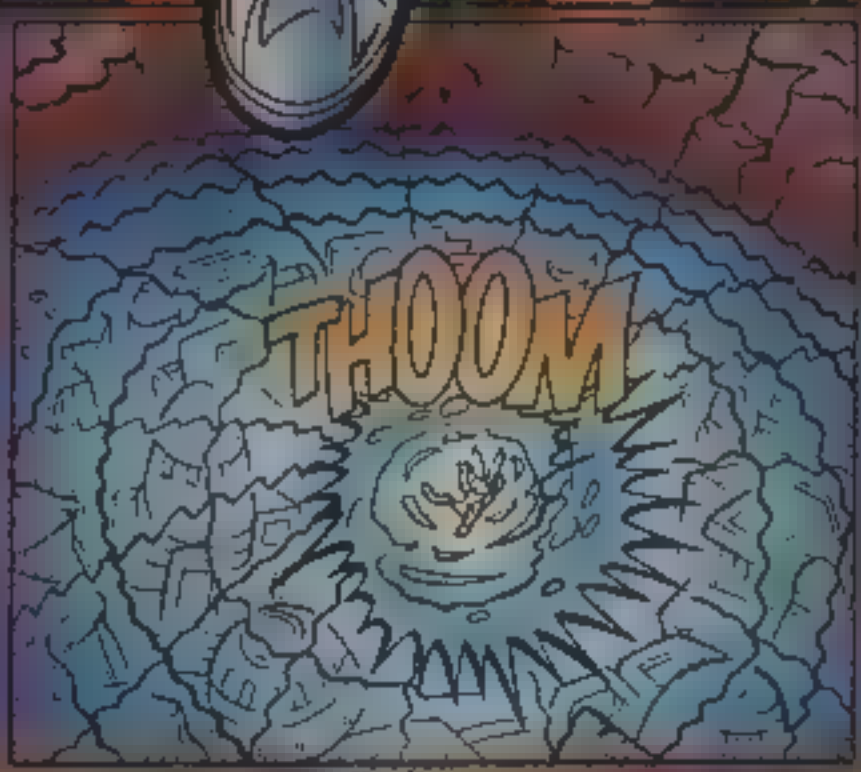
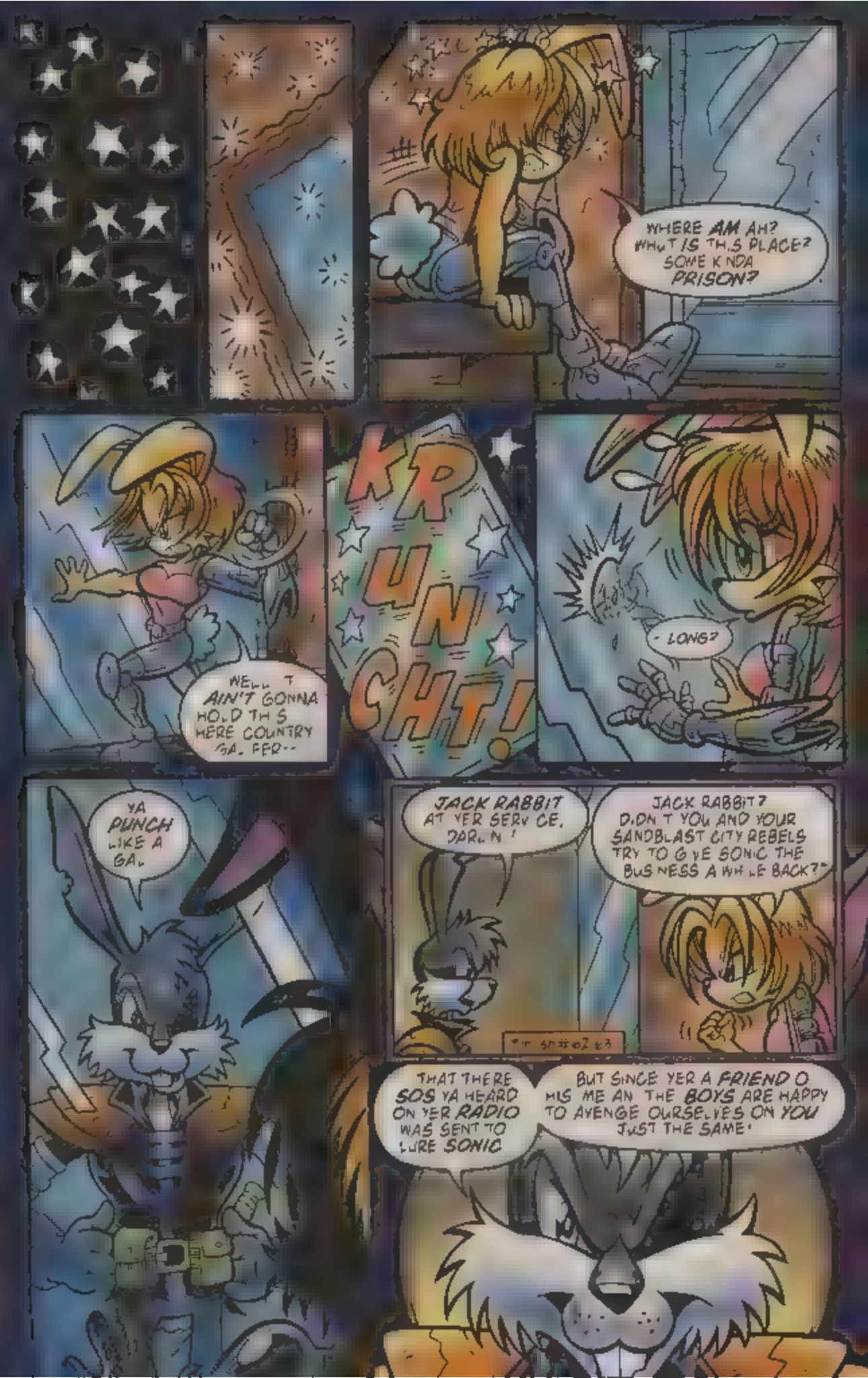
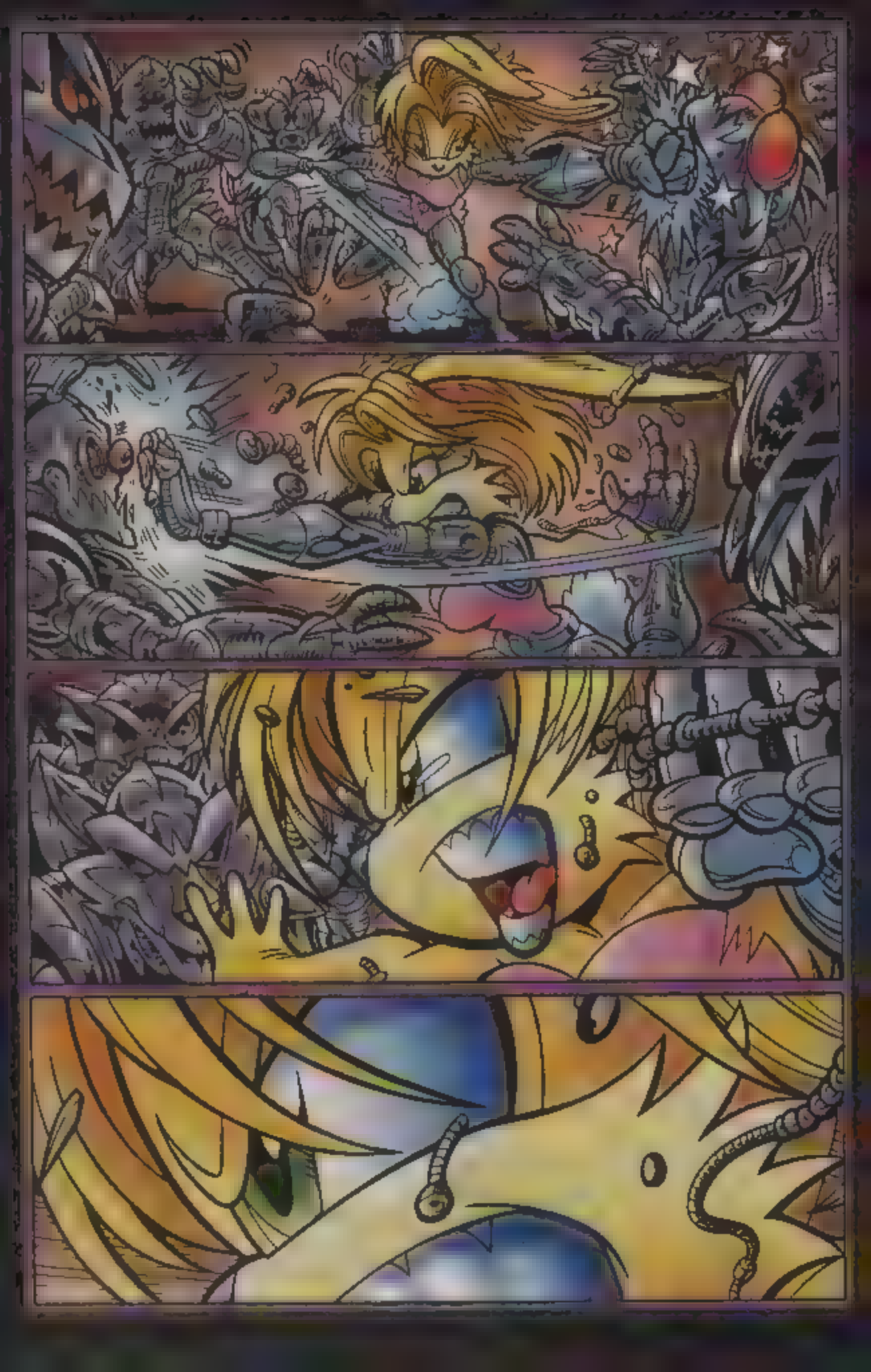





WHERE AM AH? WHAT IS THIS PLACE? SOME KINDA PRISON?
WELL I AIN'T GONNA HOLD THIS HERE COUNTRY GAL FER--
KRUNCHT!
- LONG?
YA PUNCH LIKE A GAL.
JACK RABBIT AT YER SERVICE, DARLIN'!
JACK RABBIT? DIDN'T YOU AND YOUR SANDBLAST CITY REBELS TRY TO GIVE SONIC THE BUSINESS A WHILE BACK?
THAT THERE SOS YA HEARD ON YER RADIO WAS SENT TO LURE SONIC
BUT SINCE YER A FRIEND OF HIS ME AN THE BOYS ARE HAPPY TO AVENGE OURSELVES ON YOU JUST THE SAME!

AND HOW D' YOU F GURE ON DOIN THAT?
SIMPLE I PLANNED TO TAKE OUT SON C THE SAME WAY HE TRED TO ICE ME I F GGER T DO JUST FINE FER YOU TOO.
WHAT THE--?
...
SON C LEFT SANDBLAST CITY TO BE OVERRUN BY ROBIANS. BUT WE TURNED THE TIDE AND CAPTURED THEM INSTEAD
SON C SAVED YER SORRY BUTTS AND YA REPA D EM BY TRY N TO KEEP M PRISONER!*
*ALL HAPPENED IN SONIC #62 & #63- HISTORIAN JUSTIN
WHATEVER FUNNY HOW YER PART MACHINE BUT THE ROB ANS RE STI GONNA PUT YA ON ICE!
AIN'T THAT IRONY FER YA? S LONG



WELL THAT TAKES CARE O THAT
SOON SONIC LL COME N SEARCH OF HER AND WHEN HE DOES--
WHA--?
NO. T S NOT FAIR!
RUN!!
YEE-HAW! S LONG, JACK
The End

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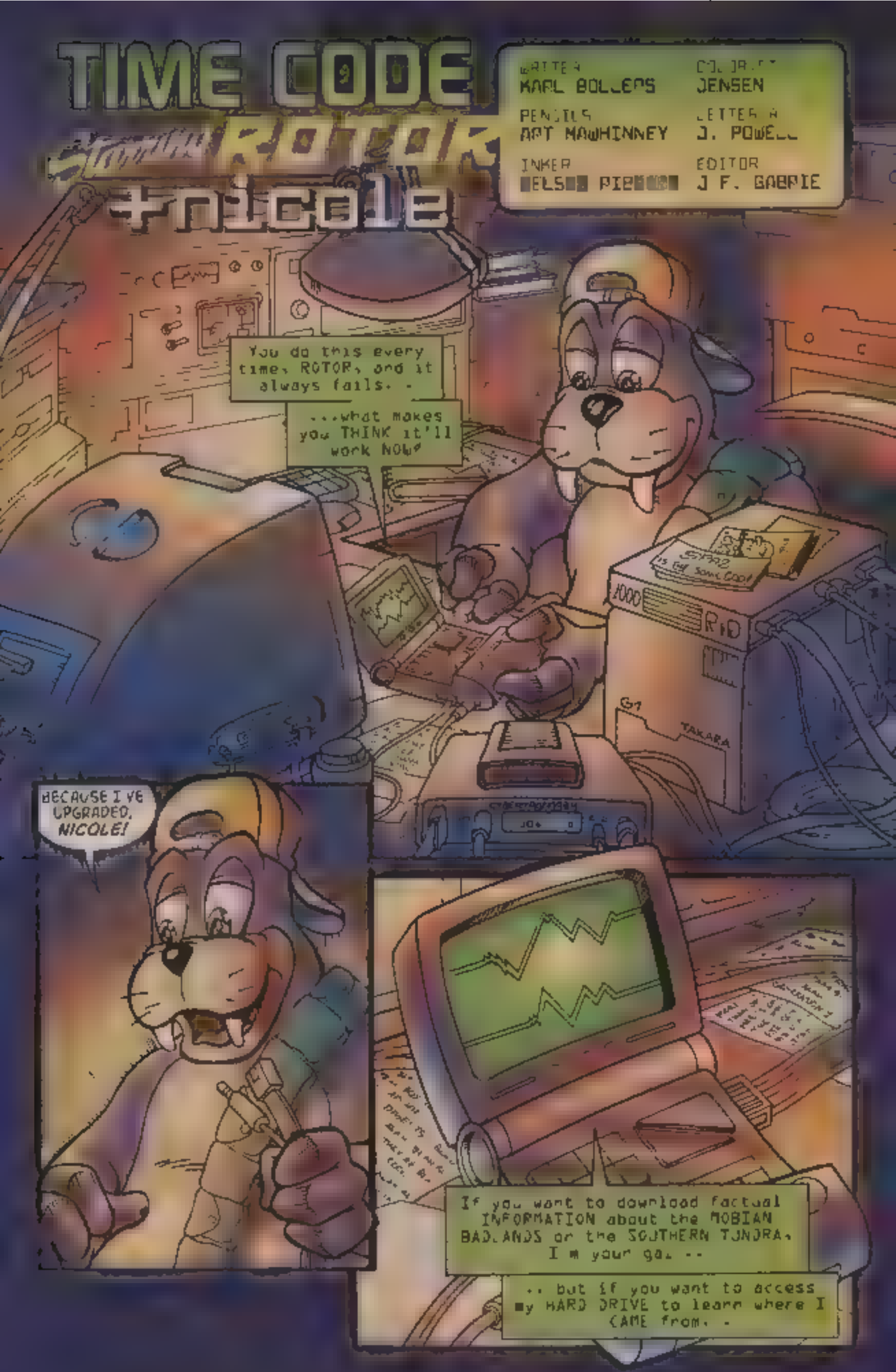

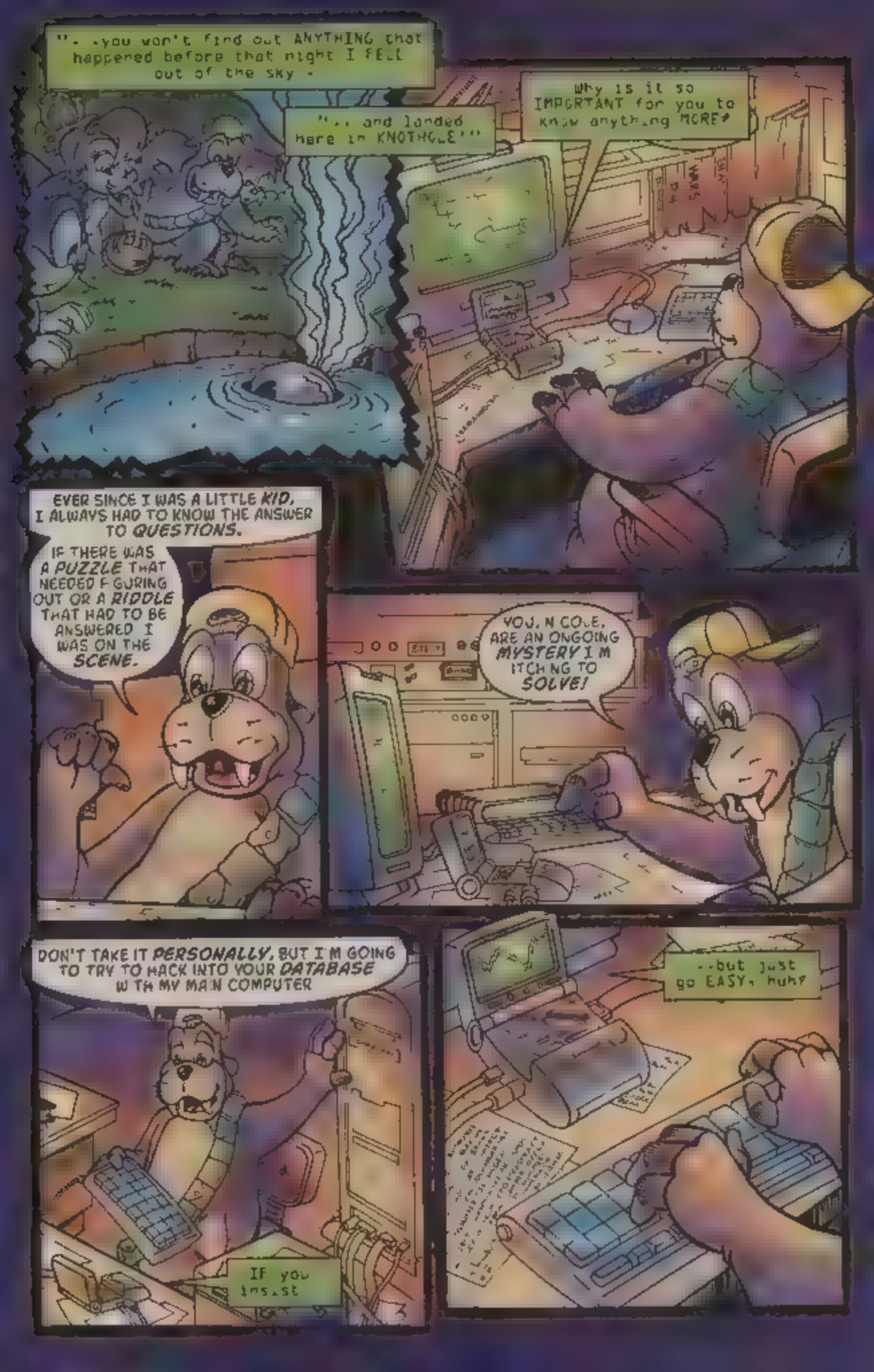
"... you won't find out ANYTHING that happened before that night I FELL out of the sky -
"... and landed here in KNOTHOLE!"
Why is it so IMPORTANT for you to know anything MORE?
EVER SINCE I WAS A LITTLE KID, I ALWAYS HAD TO KNOW THE ANSWER TO QUESTIONS.
IF THERE WAS A PUZZLE THAT NEEDED FIGURING OUT OR A RIDDLE THAT HAD TO BE ANSWERED I WAS ON THE SCENE.
YOU, NICOLE, ARE AN ONGOING MYSTERY I'M ITCHING TO SOLVE!
DON'T TAKE IT PERSONALLY, BUT I'M GOING TO TRY TO HACK INTO YOUR DATABASE WITH MY MAIN COMPUTER
IF you insist
--but just go EASY, huh?

WHERE DID YOU COME FROM?
NOT GONNA HAPPEN.
WHO DESIGNED YOU?
SORRY, TRY AGAIN.
AWWWW... COME ON, NICOLE.

OKAY, NICOLE
I GIVE UP ARE YOU HAPPY?
No, but YOU'D be.
THOUGH NICOLE WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE DETAILED FACTS ABOUT MOBIUS
...HACKERS WON'T BE ABLE TO BREACH THE FIREWALL I'VE PUT IN PLACE
SO NO ONE IN THE PAST WILL FIGURE OUT NICOLE'S FROM THE FUTURE! ROTOR AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, YOU'RE STILL A GENIUS!
Say, I'm pretty BEAT! Can you take me back to CASTLE ACORN now?
SURE THING, NICOLE, BUT FIRST...
YOUR PROGRAMMER, WHOEVER HE WAS HAS INSPIRED ME TO MAKE SOME CHANGES TO MY COMPUTER'S SECURITY SYSTEM!

LATER, SOMEWHERE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE PLANET
IT'S NOT WORKING!
I HACK AND I HACK, AND I HACK! AND FOR WHAT? NOTHING -- ZERO! ZIP! BUPKUS!
DO I GAIN ACCESS TO THAT LUNKHEAD ROTOR'S COMPUTER DATABASE IN KNOTHOLE VILLAGE? OF COURSE NOT!
HIS SECURITY SYSTEM ISN'T JUST AN EGO-SMASHER --
--IT'S DOWNRIGHT RUDE!
I HATE THAT WALRUS.
The End

SONIC-GRAMS

ON PANEL

THIS JUST IN!

In six short months, Sonic #125 will hit stores. I'm deep in it right now. The story (which kicks off with Sonic #124) is completely plotted, and the pencils for the first three pages just came in... And so far, I love it. The only other thing I'll mention right now is that this issue will try to fit in every single character in the Sonic Comic Universe, including a most anticipated return for a character since his comic debut in Sonic #98. You know who I mean. In fact, there are so many characters in this issue, we'll probably miss a bunch, but I'm sure when you read it you'll appreciate everybody we did include. As mentioned in previous editorials, Sonic #125 will mark the 10th Anniversary of the Sonic comics, so it's very special for us to reach this point. Until that time comes, I thought I'd share with you a glimpse of future Sonic comics leading up to our monumental issue. Here's to a happy and healthy 2003, Sonic-style!

May the need for speed be with you! **JG**

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Knuckles begins to go over the early events of his past, from his parents marriage to his infancy, in this retrospective story. "Afterlife, Pt. 2" By Ken Penders and Art Mawhinney.

Julie-Su and Vector the Crocodile have... a heart to heart!?! Say it isn't so. By Ken Penders and Dawn Best.

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